

# Kiwanis

## Lee's Summit Kiwanis Club

Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to changing the world, one child and one community at a time.

# NEWSLETTER

**July 2010**  
(June Activities)

## MEMBER NEWS

Congratulations to Kiwanian Cheryl Anderson and her husband Richard on the birth of their new grandson Aiden Isaac Anderson! Cheryl introduced his arrival as their new bundle of joy!!!

## CLUB CALENDAR

<u>July</u>		<u>August</u>	
Legacy Park	02	District Convention, Jefferson City	05-08
Division 4 Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.	19	Downtown Music	06
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## BIRTHDAYS

<u>July</u>		<u>August</u>	
Theresa Overby	01	Dick Daily	15
Bill Moehle	12	Dave Skitek	31

## SPEAKER SCHEDULE

July 06	Business Meeting	August 03	Business Meeting
July 13	Sarah Bohlman to visit	August 10	Erv Higgins
July 20	Claire Jones	August 17	Bill Moehle
July 27	Bob Barr	August 24	Tim Hite
		August 31	Doug Stoll

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- Polytainers: 1-4 p.m. Sep 18
  - Will serve funnel cakes to approximately 300 employees
- Oktoberfest Oct 24-25

## CLUB UPDATE

### Music in the Park (City Hall Plaza)

Lee's Summit Parks & Recreation are hosting their annual Summer Concerts on Friday evenings in City Hall Plaza. Scheduled are the Bayou Bash on June 18th, Jamaican Jam on July 23rd and the Blues & Jazz Fest on August 6th.

The Bayou Bash was the first of three events that we participated in and raised \$53.00 versus last year's total of \$155.14. The concert series launches our annual fundraising activities for scholarships, reading programs, etc.

We sold 10 pretzels, 18 cookies, 23 candies, 30 nachos and 92 lemonades!



### 2010-2011 Officers

- President – Roger Shipley
- Vice President – Bill Moehle
- Secretary – Karen Van Jones
- Treasurer – Richard Veasman

## PROGRAM REVIEW

### June 22 – Will Kraus, State Representative for District 48

Prior to serving as a State Representative, Will began his career in the military for eighteen years flying helicopters. He was elected to the House in 2004 and currently serves as Vice-Chairman on the special committees for health insurance and utilities and a member for job creation and economic development. His 2010 priorities include the budget, ethics and job creation.

In this year's election, Will plans on running as a Republican for the 8th District Senate seat. For more information, please visit his website at <http://www.willkraus.com/>.

### June 29 – Loren Groom, Honor Guard, American Legion

As a member of the Honor Guard, Loren and his team provide full military honors to our fallen soldiers – enlisted or retired. Honors include shooting the rifles, playing taps, folding and presenting the American flag to the families. It takes eight members to provide for one funeral. The local Honor Guard has 17 members and has already volunteered at 75 funerals in 2010.

The United States is losing her retired military veterans at a rapid pace. Loren stated that we lose about 1,000 Korean veterans per day and 1,500 WWII veterans per day. They need to increase their membership in order to keep up with the pace. Active honor guard members' average age is 63-85 years young. Membership dues are \$35 per year.



### Special guest District 4 Lieutenant Governor Don Coffman

Don reminded us of club leadership training on July 10. He also congratulated us on “being well on our way” as a distinguished club. His goal is to have 5/9 clubs become distinguished in 2009/2010.

## METRO-AREA SPECIAL OLYMPICS

### **Special Olympics Opportunities**

There are many volunteer opportunities available in the next couple of months with Special Olympics Missouri. Volunteer “jobs” are available for those with and without sports knowledge. All you really need to volunteer is a few h

July 15 – KC Metro Tennis (Lee’s Summit)

August 21 – Miles for Medals Dice Run (KCMO – Registration to open in February 2010)

August 27 – Over the Edge (KCMO - Registration to open in Spring 2010)

Visit [www.somo.org](http://www.somo.org) for more details.

## MO/ARK DISTRICT

### From Governor Mike Grimes

“Don’t miss the Kiwanis party...it is going to be a BLAST! We have a fantastic convention planned August 5-8, 2010 in Jefferson City and you don’t want to miss it! Fabulous speakers, great educational forums, activities for children, special Aktion Club sessions, wonderful entertainment, great food and the very best in fellowship. We have set a goal of having 500 attend this convention and we need YOU!”

## KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL

### Kiwanis International Convention



July 7-10, 2011

### 95<sup>th</sup> Annual Kiwanis International Convention in Las Vegas

- Largest convention in seven years
- Over 7,000 in attendance
- Attendance included a lot more international members
- Colin Powell was the opening speaker

**During the convention, a new program was announced.**

### EliMiNaTe (Mothers and Natal Tetnus) Project

Kiwanis International and UNICEF have joined forces to save the lives of babies and their mothers by eliminating maternal/neonatal tetanus (MNT), a disease that kills an estimated 60,000 newborns and 30,000 mothers each year.

To eliminate MNT from the Earth by 2015, 129 million mothers and their future babies must be immunized. This requires vaccines, syringes, safe storage, transportation, thousands of skilled staff and more. It will take \$110 million — and the dedicated work of UNICEF and every member of the Kiwanis family.

Kiwanis and UNICEF joined forces to tackle iodine deficiency disorders, achieving one of the most significant public health successes of the 20th century. Now, they are eliminating MNT from the face of the Earth. And in doing so, the project will reach the poorest, most neglected mothers and babies with additional lifesaving health care. The end of this one disease means the beginning of better health for so many families.

For more information, please visit [www.kiwanis.org/wsp](http://www.kiwanis.org/wsp).

### **Kiwanis members considered 14 proposed amendments and one resolution during the 2010 Kiwanis International Convention's House of Delegates. Here's how they voted.**

#### Approved:

- Amendment No. 2: Eliminate unintended contradictions regarding discipline of International Officers and allow the International Board the ability, if deemed appropriate, to bar someone removed from office from filling other offices or appointments.
- Amendment No. 4: Return the title of the top staff position in Kiwanis International to “Executive Director.”
- Amendment No. 5: Accommodate districts that wish to have an additional year of training and orientation for the person who eventually will serve as governor.
- Amendment No. 7: Make more effective use of electronic methods of communications and information distribution.

#### Approved as amended

- Amendment No. 1: Change the designation for regions from numbers to names.
- Amendment No. 3: Require criminal history background checks for all incumbents and candidates for International Office and for all offices in direct line of succession to district governor in order to ensure the highest standards of leadership in Kiwanis.

#### Defeated

- Amendment No. 6: Allocate the costs to hold Kiwanis International conventions equitably among the member clubs of the organization.
- Amendment No. 9: Add a preface clause that summarizes each of the Kiwanis Objects and restate the Objects in summary form.
- Amendment No. 12: Allow club members who are not delegates to sit with their club delegates in the House of Delegates at international conventions.

## Withdrawn

- Amendment No. 8: Allow federation conventions to be held within the stated 20-day prohibition period for good reason if deemed appropriate by the Kiwanis International Board of Trustees.
- Amendment No. 10: Allow districts the option to restrict voting at district conventions and division conferences to clubs that are at least one year old, based on the date of charter presentation.
- Amendment No. 11: Allow districts the option to determine the number of club delegates (from one to five) based on club size and provide that all delegates must have been club members for at least one year before being elected by the club to represent it.
- Amendment No. 14: Create a new class of “family members” providing that up to three relations of an active member may have the same benefits and obligations as active members but pay reduced dues and fees.

## Failed for lack of a motion

- Amendment No. 13: Reduce dues for members age 65 and over by 50 percent.

## Resolution

- Kiwanis delegates approved a memorial resolution to honor Past Kiwanis International President Aubrey Irby, who died July 11, 2009.

## LEE'S SUMMIT KIWANIS CLUB OFFICERS

Sharon Robinson, President

Karen Van Jones, Secretary

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